

Key tourism industry organisations

Here are just some of the key tourism industry organisations, following by a list of English Regional Tourist Boards & Destination Marketing Organisations. We're sure to have missed some - please let us know which ones!

Association of British Travel Agents (ABTA)

The UK's largest travel trade organisation, representing more than 2,200 agents and tour operators.

www.abta.com

Association for Conferences and Events

The largest membership organisation in the meetings industry based in the UK, acting

www.martex.co.uk/ace

Association of Independent Museums

Founded to represent the needs of independent museums in national policy making and provide a network of information and help for members

www.museums.org.uk

Association of Leading Visitor Attractions (ALVA)

ALVA represents the views and achievements of the country's foremost visitor attractions, promoting co-operation and high standards of visitor management among its members.

www.alva.org.uk

The Association of London Government

Think tank and lobbying organisation, committed to getting the best possible deal for London's 33 councils.

www.alg.gov.uk

The British Beer and Pub Association

www.beerandpub.com

British Association of Leisure Parks, Piers and Attractions

BALPPA represent leisure, theme and amusement parks and piers throughout the UK.

www.balppa.org

British Holiday and Home Parks Association

BH & HPA is the representative body of the parks industry including caravans, chalets, tents and all types of self-catering park accommodation.

www.ukparks.com

British Hospitality Association

The BHA is the largest and most influential trade association in the hotel and catering sector and has some 22,000 members. Its hotel membership is drawn mainly from the middle and upper end of the market.

www.bha-online.org.uk

British Incoming Tour Operators' Association

This is now known as UKInbound - see below.

British Institute of Innkeeping

The BII is the professional body for the licensed trade, promoting high standards of professionalism throughout the licensed retail sector.

www.bii.org.uk

British Resorts Association

Represents the interest of resorts throughout the UK, including both seaside and inland resorts.

www.britishresorts.co.uk

Business Link

National business support, advice and information service funded by the Department of Trade and Industry.

www.businesslink.gov.uk

The Camping and Caravanning Club (CCC)

One of the largest clubs in the world and the second largest operator of campsites in the world.

www.campingandcaravanningclub.co.uk

The Caravan Club

Represents the interests of over 800,000 caravanners with a nationwide network of quality sites

www.caravanclub.co.uk

Confederation of British Industry

Promotes the contribution that British business makes and works to ensure that the needs of British business are met

www.cbi.org.uk

Department for Culture, Media & Sport

The government department responsible for tourism

www.culture.gov.uk

English Association of Self-Catering Operators

Trade body for operators of self-catering holiday flats, apartments etc.

www.englishselfcatering.co.uk

Foreign & Commonwealth Office

www.fco.gov.uk

Historic Houses Association

The HHA provides advice, liaison and services to historic country houses and gardens in private ownership in the UK, approximately 300 of which are open to the public on a regular basis.

www.hha.org.uk

HM Customs & Excise

www.hmce.gov.uk

Home Office

www.homeoffice.gov.uk

Hotel and Catering International Management Association (HCIMA)

Professional body for managers and potential managers in the hospitality industry, covering hotels, contract catering, restaurants and pubs to hospitals, schools and armed forces catering. www.hcima.org.uk

International Air Transport Association (IATA)

IATA brings together approximately 270 airlines, comprising more than 98 percent of all international scheduled air traffic. www.iata.org

Institute of Leisure and Amenity Management (ILAM)

Membership organisation representing managers of local authority leisure and recreation facilities to develop professionalism in leisure management

www.ilam.co.uk

Institute of Tourist Guiding

The standard setting body for the whole of the tourist guiding sector. www.itg.org.uk

Institute of Travel and Tourism

The professional body for the travel and tourism industry offering membership to appropriately qualified individuals.

www.itt.co.uk

Jersey Tourism

The tourist board for Jersey.

www.jersey.com

Northern Ireland Tourist Board

Covering the counties of Tyrone, Fermanagh, Antrim, Down, Londonderry and Armagh

www.nitb.com

Pilgrims' Association

Helps Cathedrals, Abbeys, Chapels and Churches to meet the needs of tourists, visitors and pilgrims

www.cathedrals.org.uk

Restaurant Association

The Restaurant Association is the voice for the industry on regulatory issues and government initiatives where appropriate. www.restaurant.org

Tourism Alliance

Members of the Tourism Alliance comprise leading trade associations and trade bodies within the sector. Its main purpose is to lobby Government on the key strategic issues facing the industry.

www.tourismalliance.com

Tourism Management Institute

Membership organisation for tourism officers from local authorities, regional and national tourist organisations and other companies involved in tourism

www.tmi.org.uk

The Tourism Network

A not-for-profit industry support agency offering training, networking opportunities and consultancy for tourism professionals in the UK, aimed at making their job easier and more fun

www.tourismnetwork.org

Tourism Society

Membership body that aims to promote and enhance professionalism in tourism. Tourism-related training meetings held throughout the year.

www.tourismsociety.org

Transport for London (TfL)

The integrated body responsible for the capital's transport system, implementing the Mayor's Transport Strategy for London. www.transportforlondon.gov.uk

UKInbound

Trade body for the inbound tourism industry, representing tour operators and their suppliers. UKInbound was formerly known as the British Incoming Tour Operators' Association

www.UKInbound.com

VisitBritain

VisitBritain is the new organisation, created on 1 April, to market Britain to the rest of the world and England to the British. Formed by the merger of the British Tourist Authority and the English Tourism Council, its mission is to build the value of tourism by creating world-class destination brands and marketing campaigns. www.visitbritain.org/ukindustry

VisitGuernsey

The tourist board for Guernsey.

www.visitguernsey.com

VisitScotland

National Tourist Board for Scotland

www.visitscotland.com

Wales Tourist Board

National Tourist Board for Wales

www.wtbonline.gov.uk

Regional Tourist Boards & Destination Marketing Organisations

Cheshire & Warrington Tourism Board

Grosvenor Park Lodge

Grosvenor Park Road

Chester

CH1 1QQ

Tel: 01244 346 543

info@cwtb.co.uk

www.visitcheshire.com

Cumbria Tourist Board

Covers Cumbria and The Lake District

Ashleigh

Holly Road

Windermere

Cumbria

LA23 2AQ

Tel: 01539 444 444

www.golakes.co.uk

East Midlands Tourism & East Midlands Development Agency

Covers Derbyshire, Nottinghamshire, Lincolnshire, Leicestershire, Rutland and Northamptonshire.

Apex Court

City Link

Nottingham

NG2 4LA

Tel: 0115 988 8300

<http://www.eastmidlandstourism.co.uk/>

East of England Tourist Board

Bedfordshire, Cambridgeshire, Essex, Hertfordshire, Norfolk & Suffolk.

Toppesfield Hall

Hadleigh

Suffolk

IP7 5DN

Tel: 01473 822 922

www.eetb.org.uk

England's North Country

Overseas Marketing Consortium for Cumbria, North West, Northumbria, Yorkshire, Isle of Man Tourst Boards and Manchester Airport.

Renaissance House

PO Box 37

Centre Park

Warrington

WA1 1AB

Tel: 01925 400362

www.enctrade.com

Essex Tourism Association

36 Jefferson Close

Colchester

CO3 9DR

Tel: 01206 562878

www.hidden-treasures.co.uk

Heart of England Tourism

Covers Herefordshire, Shropshire, Staffordshire, Warwickshire, Worcestershire and West Midlands.

Woodside

Larkhill Road

Worcester

WR5 2EZ

Tel: 01905 761100

www.hetb.co.uk

Isle of Man Tourism

Department of Tourism & Leisure

Sea Terminal Buildings

Douglas

IM1 2RG

Isle of Man

Tel: 01624 686 801

www.visitisleofman.com

Lancashire & Blackpool Tourist Board

St George's House

St George's Street

Chorley

PR7 2AA

Tel: 01257 226600

www.lancashiretourism.com

Marketing Manchester

Churchgate House

56 Oxford Street

Manchester

M1 6EU

Tel: 0161 237 1010

www.destinationmanchester.com

One NorthEast Tourism

Covers Northumberland, Tyne & Wear, County Durham, the Tees Valley

Aykley Heads

Durham

DH1 5UX

Tel: 0191 375 3000

www.tourismnortheast.co.uk

South West Tourism

Covers Bath, Bristol, Cornwall, Gloucestershire, Isles of Scilly, Devon, Dorset, Somerset and Wiltshire

Woodwater Park

Pynes Hill

Rydon Lane

Exeter

EX2 5WT

Tel: 0870 442 0830

www.swtourism.co.uk

The Mersey Partnership

12 Princes Dock

Princes Parade

Liverpool

L3 1BG

Tel: 0151 227 2727

www.visitliverpool.com

Tourism South East

Covers Berkshire, Buckinghamshire, East Sussex, Hampshire, Isle of Wight, Kent, Oxfordshire, Surrey and West Sussex

40 Chamberlayne Road

Eastleigh, Hampshire

SO50 5JH

Tel: 02380 625 400

www.tourismse.com

Visit London

2 More London Riverside

London

SE1 2RR

Tel: 020 7234 5800

www.visitlondon.com

Yorkshire Tourist Board

covers East Riding of Yorkshire, North East Lincolnshire, North, South and West Yorkshire and North Lincolnshire.

312 Tadcaster Road

York

YO2 2HY

Tel: 01904 707 961

www.yorkshiretouristboard.net